



INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATION DIVISION
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Fraud Statistics/Convictions Activity
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<u>Fraud Statistics</u>	<u>Month/March</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total Referrals Received.....	153	443
Closed Referrals.....	809	1,362
Open Cases (Investigations – includes prior years).....		270
Assigned Cases (Investigations).....	31	49
Closed Cases (Investigations).....	104	193
Closed Cases (Investigations) Exceptionally Cleared – Declined by Prosecutor.....	2	7
Charges (0 felony, 0 misdemeanor)		10
Convictions (9 felony, 15 misdemeanor)	24	60
Restitution Ordered..... \$	865,038.01	968,936.76
Restitution Agreed..... \$.00	.00
Restitution Total..... \$	865,038.01	968,936.76
Investigation Expenses to Division		
Awarded..... \$.00	750.00
Collected..... \$	417.13	2,717.13
DOI Fines..... \$.00	.00
Administrative Subpoenas Issued.....	1	3
Non-Licensed Individuals.....	1	3
Licensed (active/inactive individuals).....		
Subpoenas Received.....	8	13

Convictions Activity

Stephanie Pruitt – Pruitt submitted a letter to the Jefferson County Attorney's Office that stated she had insurance coverage. However, the form was altered and no coverage was in place at the time the letter was presented. Pruitt pleaded guilty to an amended charge of disorderly conduct first degree and was sentenced to 275 days, conditionally discharged for two years.

Stephen Dubravcak – Dubravcak, an agent, misrepresented facts on an application. Dubravcak pleaded guilty to fraudulent insurance acts under \$500. He was sentenced to pre-trial diversion and ordered to perform community service.

Michelle Bradley – Bradley obtained a vehicle policy and claimed an accident the following day. Investigation revealed the accident actually occurred before the policy was taken out. Bradley entered a guilty plea to one count of fraudulent insurance acts over \$500, was sentenced to three years and placed on diversion for five years. Bradley was ordered to pay restitution of \$9,190.98 to the company.

Abbas Shamsabadi – Shamsabadi provided false claims to an insurance company. Shamsabadi was convicted of one count of conspiracy to commit wire and mail fraud, two counts of filed false income tax returns and was sentenced to 30 months on each count to run concurrently.

Dedrick Pulce – Pulce, an agent, wrote bogus insurance policies in order to receive commission. He pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct and was sentenced to 90 days, conditionally discharged after two years.

Taris Malone – Malone, an agent, wrote bogus insurance policies in order to receive commission. He pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct and was sentenced to 90 days, conditionally discharged after two years.

Brittany Brown – Brown participated in a staged automobile accident ring. Brown pleaded guilty to two counts of attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500 and was sentenced to 12 months in jail on both counts, conditionally discharged, to run concurrently.

Bradley Allen – Allen participated in a staged automobile accident ring. Allen pleaded guilty to two counts of attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500 and was sentenced to 12 months in jail on both counts, conditionally discharged, to run concurrently.

Demetrius Shouse – Shouse participated in a staged automobile accident ring. Shouse pleaded guilty to two counts of attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500 and was sentenced to 12 months in jail on both counts, conditionally discharged, to run concurrently.

Donald Wilson – Wilson participated in a staged automobile accident ring. Wilson pleaded guilty to fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. Wilson was sentenced to five years in prison with five years suspended and five years of supervised probation, to run concurrently.

Camara Uras Douglas – Douglas participated in staged automobile accidents and pleaded guilty to attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. Douglas was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 12 months conditionally discharged for two years.

Christian Keller Bryant – Bryant participated in staged automobile accidents and pleaded guilty to attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. Bryant was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 12 months conditionally discharged for two years.

Gerald Antonio Graves – Graves participated in staged automobile accidents and pleaded guilty to attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. Graves was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 12 months conditionally discharged for two years.

James Deon White – White participated in staged automobile accidents and pleaded guilty to attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. White was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 12 months conditionally discharged for two years.

Larry Mimms – Mimms participated in staged automobile accidents and pleaded guilty to attempted fraudulent insurance acts over \$500. Mimms was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 12 months conditionally discharged for two years.

Wesley Smith – The Kentucky Department of Insurance Fraud Investigation Division participated in a joint investigation with a federal agency, and Smith was convicted and sentenced in federal court. Smith was convicted of one count of felony possession of a firearm and two counts of failure to file a tax return. He was sentenced to one year in prison on each count to run concurrently and was ordered to pay \$204,471.87 in restitution to the Internal Revenue Service.